

The Enemy has tacitly confessed our Superiority at Sea, by not having yet represented the Justice we have done ourselves in Europe.

Is it probable, that in this State of Things, when we are secured by a powerful Navy, well manned, and admirably conducted, we should, instead of increasing or strengthening our military Establishment at home, look out officiously for a War upon the Continent, before the *French* seem to threaten it, before our Allies seem to apprehend it; a War, in which we cannot naturally be interested, and by the Event of which we cannot possibly be benefited; a War which, tho' ever so successful, must exhaust the little Remnant of our Treasure, and which must, in the End, leave us Defenceless at Home. Is it probable, I say, that we should Provoke
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